

Fiscal Note 2011 Biennium

Bill #	SB0449		Title: Establish	n oil and gas education ac	count
Primary Sponsor:	Keane, Jim		Status: As Introd	duced	
☐ Significant I	ocal Gov Impact	■ Needs to be included	led in HB 2	Technical Concerns	
☐ Included in	the Executive Budget	☐ Significant Long-To	erm Impacts	Dedicated Revenue Fo	rm Attached
		FISCAL S FY 2010 Difference	SUMMARY FY 2011 Difference	FY 2012 Difference	FY 2013 Difference
Expenditures: General Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Revenue: General Fund		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact-Cene	ral Fund Ralance	\$0			\$0

Description of fiscal impact:

There is no fiscal impact to the state.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

1. SB 449 establishes the oil and gas education and research account within the state special revenue fund and allows it to accept donations, grants, contributions, and gifts from any public or private source. Without known revenues, it is assumed there are no fiscal impacts to this bill.

Technical Notes:

l.	GB 449 does not give the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation rule making authority for specific directives
	of this legislation.

Sponsor's Initials	Date	Budget Director's Initials	Date



Dedication of Revenue 2011 Biennium

17-1-507-509, MCA.

a) Are there persons or entities that benefit from this dedicated revenue that do not pay? (please explain)

Yes. This revenue may be used for grants, loans or education of others that are not the same as those who have contributed to the fund. There are no dedicated revenues going into this account.

- b) What special information or other advantages exist as a result of using a state special revenue fund that could not be obtained if the revenue were allocated to the general fund?
 - Use of an earmarked state special revenue fund makes tracking of revenues and expenditures easier. "Interest or other income earned on money in the oil and gas education and research account accrues to that account."
- c) Is the source of revenue relevant to current use of the funds and adequate to fund the program activity that is intended? Yes / No (if no, explain)
 Yes.
- d) Does the need for this state special revenue provision still exist? __X_Yes ___No (Explain) These funds would be used to carry out the provisions of the legislation.
- e) Does the dedicated revenue affect the legislature's ability to scrutinize budgets, control expenditures, or establish priorities for state spending? (Please Explain) No.
- f) Does the dedicated revenue fulfill a continuing, legislatively recognized need? (Please Explain) Yes, after passage of this legislation.
- g) How does the dedicated revenue provision result in accounting/auditing efficiencies or inefficiencies in your agency? (Please Explain. Also, if the program/activity were general funded, could you adequately account for the program/activity?)
 - An additional state special revenue fund will not materially impact accounting/auditing efficiencies or inefficiencies. The ability to accrue interest does not exist in using general fund.